

## GOSTUDENTS

## ONLINE

MISSION PROJECT

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## "WHAT IS AN ONLINE MISSION PROJECT?" (INFORMATION)

#### INTRODUCTION

We are excited to host the first ever GOSTUDENTS ONLINE MISSION PROJECT! It will be **April 5-12** and will be a week-long digital/home mission project where we will engage our own spheres of influence with the Gospel! The Coronavirus pandemic has created tremendous opportunity to engage people in conversation about life and eternity. Let's not let it pass us by! The GoStudents Online Mission Project will kick off on Sunday April 5 and end the next Sunday, April 12 (EASTER), hopefully with a few new students being added to your online (or in person if you have it) church/small group as a result of the online mission project.

Hopefully this guide will provide you with some great ideas on how the online mission project will work. You will also be instructed on how to communicate the number of Gospel conversation initiations you were involved in with us (see pg 10). We believe we'll have hundreds if not thousands of Gospel conversations initiated if you and your friends would engage in this with us! Groups or individuals can customize this content to suit their own needs. We hope you'll keep your heart for our King and His Cause and continue to partner with us!



# WHAT ARE WE ASKING YOU TO DO?

- 1) PRAY Ask God for a burden for lost people and opportunities to share. ... The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16
- 2) LEARN Use this guide to learn how to share the Gospel digitally. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously...and it will be given to you. James 1:15
- 3) PLAN Make a plan to reach the lost people you know online.

  The LORD replied: "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. Habakkuk 2:2
- 4) DIALOGUE Post, text, tweet, or share anything to start conversations. The purposes of a person's heart are deep waters, but one who has insight draws them out. Proverbs 20:5
- 5) CARE Seek to care for people in the time of the Coronavirus and beyond. ...value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. Phil. 2:4
- 6) SHARE Share the hope that you have in Jesus to rescue you from the hell you would go to and through without him, and how they can have it to. ...how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to

...how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ...As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" – Romans 10:14-15

7) REPORT - Report your faithfulness so we can celebrate it (see pg 10).

Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. Acts 5:14



## "WHY IS AN ONLINE MISSION PROJECT IMPORTANT?" (INSPIRATION)

## Christians from the early church until now have always been powerfully leveraging technology for the sake of the Gospel.



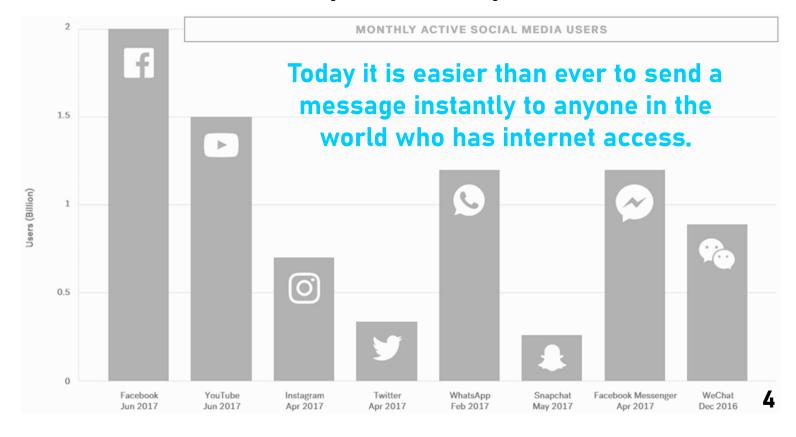
In the 16th century, Martin Luther used brand new printing methods to create pamphlets, woodcuts, and tracts that ended up in the hands of millions across Europe, fueling the Reformation.



200 years later, George Whitefield used a secular media empire—owned by Benjamin Franklin—to organize revival meetings and send copies of his sermons throughout the Western World, fueling the 1st Great Awakening.



In the 20th century, Billy Graham pioneered TV and radio programming to reach a live audience of over 200 million people and hundreds of millions more around the world, fueling the modern evangelistic crusade.



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"HOW DO I ENGAGE IN AN ONLINE MISSION PROJECT?" (APPLICATION)

#### WHERE DO I START?

THE Cause Circle is a simple tool that will help you be more intentional about sharing Jesus' message with your friends online and in person. It's built around three simple priorities that Jesus lived out during His earthly ministry.

PRAYER - When we start by praying for the people we are seeking to reach with the gospel, it prepares their hearts to hear.

CARE – We must love those we are trying to reach. Listen to them. Care for them. They are not projects, they're people!

SHARE - After prayer and care, we must lovingly and clearly share the gospel with them and then invite them to trust in Jesus!





## LEARN HOW TO HAVE A GOSPEL CONVERSATION!

- 1) WATCH the Video
- 2) LEARN the Outline
- 3) Make it your OWN
- 4) START Conversations \*Seek to be excellent at

sharing your faith! (Col. 3:23)



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"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes..." Romans 1:16 (NIV)



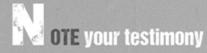


O to God in prayer



BSERVE and admire what they believe

ESCRIBE what you believe





**XAMINE** if that's happened to them



**ELCOME** them to trust in Jesus



**HOW them what to do next** 











#### **BAD**

#### Share random and offensive content:

- "Turn or burn"
- "Repent or die"
- "Get sanctified or get chicken fried"
- "Get in the know or to hell you go"
- \*Get in arguments.
- \*Continue to engage when asked to stop.

#### GOOD

Share good content on your social media wall like:

- Verses
- Quotes
- ....
- Videos
- PicturesStories
- Compliments
- \*Share with the purpose of starting conversations.

#### **BETTER**

#### Message people to create dialogue:

- Check on people
- Comment on posts so they'll talk back
- Text message
- Social media direct message
- \*Go around online traffic, straight to the person.

#### **BEST**

Use your voice to share the gospel and your testimony.

- Video recording
- Audio messages
- Individual FaceTime
- Group Zoom call
- Phone calls

\*Think non-tech as well: Hand written letter, card, gift, etc. 6



#### **CONVERSATION STARTERS**

\*Use these thought-provoking conversation starters or better yet, come up with your own!

#### **GENERAL CONVERSATION STARTERS**

Talk about L.I.F.E.

L OCATION: From? Going?

/ NTERESTS: Sports? Music? Movies? Favorite things to do?

FAMILY. Brothers/Sisters? Older/Younger? Parents? Close?

E DUCATION: Always gone to this school? College plans? Favorite teacher?

\*Look for ways for your natural conversation to lead to a spiritual one.

EX: After talking about their interests, you can talk about your interest in church/youth group, and then ask if they attend any church regularly.

#### SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION STARTERS

#### [Indirect]

- What's life been like for you during the pandemic? What do you most long for out of life? / Why are we here?
- What's giving you peace and hope during the pandemic? Can I share what helps me most? (Gospel/Testimony)
- Are you happy with your life right now, or are you searching for something more?

#### [More direct]

- What's your spiritual journey been like so far?
- Where did everything come from? / What happens to us after we die? / Do you believe in a Heaven/Hell?
- Have you ever wondered about God? / Is there a God? / What do you think God is like?
- Where are you with God right now? / Do you think God would consider you to be a good person?
- Who do you say Jesus is? (Lord, liar or a lunatic?) / What does Easter mean to you?
- Want to come to church with me on Easter? My youth group is doing \_\_\_\_\_ this week. Wanna join us?

## **VIDEO CONVERSATION STARTERS**

People love to share videos online—whether it's the latest dog trick or toddler antics. Why not use videos that lead to spiritual conversations? Sharing a high quality, spiritually thought-provoking video can trigger a follow up conversation of eternal significance. Here are a few below to consider. When you share them you could include the phrase "What do you think?" Be creative!

\*To access resources through QR Codes just open your camera app and point your phone at QR code. Or just type in the link.

EVER WONDERED ABOUT GOD?



youtu.be/h4pWC9C4r14



THE SILHOUETTE GOSPEL



voutu.be/bQgEA0JeQdc



THEN WHAT?



youtu.be/6CyJYLFUjzU



FALLING PLATES



voutu.be/KGlx11BxF24



HOW VALUABLE AM I?



youtu.be/uCStAbT0rc8



LIFE IN 6 WORDS



youtu.be/Ymfh6RJezQ4



WHY DOES GOD LET BAD THINGS HAPPEN?



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WHAT MAKES FOR GOOD RELATIONSHIPS?



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#### THE BEST VIDEO FOR YOU TO SHARE IS A VIDEO OF YOUR STORY!

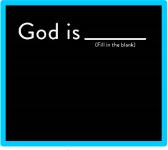
Consider making a short 1-2 min selfie style video of you sharing your testimony. Your testimony should include your story of BEFORE, WHEN, and AFTER you were saved. Make sure it's focused on Jesus. Share it with others and say "Here's my story, has anything like that ever happened to you?"

Check out this training video on sharing your story. bit.ly/2QTAldF

### **FURE CONVERSATION STARTER**

Images are an effective passageway into our hearts and souls. They can evoke powerful emotions and trigger thought-provoking conversations. Pictures can provide a gateway into a spiritual conversation that may change someone's life -both now and for all eternity. Get your creative juices flowing and do an online image search for a few striking photos that you can use to initiate conversations about the "big questions" of life. Or better yet use photos that you have taken! \*To access resources through QR Codes just open your camera app and point your phone at QR code. Or just type in the link.

FILL IN THE BLANK



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HOW CAN I PRAY FOR YOU?



bit.ly/2SNSzz9



MOVING LIFE IN 6 WORDS

G-O-S-P-E-/ING - EVERYONE - I CREATED - US - TO - BE - WITH -UR - SINS - SEPARATE - US - FRO E - REMOVED - BY - GOOD - DEE - THE - PRICE - FOR - SIN - JESUS M - ALONE - HAS - ETERNAL - LIF /ITH - JESUS - STARTS - NOW - A G - O - S - P - E -

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WHAT DESCRIBES YOUR LIFE?



bit.lv/3bsl6Aa



## STRATEGIC CTION

#### PEOPLE I CAN REACH OUT TO ONLINE

- Look through your social media friend list, phone contacts, etc.
- List names below of people that may be lost that you can reach out to.
- Set a phone alarm for each day to remind you to pray, care & share!

#### **WAYS TO SHARE**

- Verses
- Quotes
- Videos
- Pictures
- Stories
- Check on people
- Comment on posts so they'll talk back
- Text message
- Social media DM
- Video recording
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- Individual FaceTime
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#### NAME / SHARE PLAN

- Apr. 5 -
- Apr. 6 -
- Apr. 7 -

- **RESULT** # of times shared today
- # of times shared today \_\_\_\_
- # of times shared today \_\_\_\_

- Apr. 8 -
- Apr. 9 -
- Apr. 10 -

- # of times shared today \_\_\_\_
  - # of times shared today \_\_\_\_
  - # of times shared today \_\_\_\_

- Apr. 11 -
- Apr. 12 -
- Apr. 13 -

- # of times shared today \_\_\_\_
  - # of times shared today \_\_\_\_
  - # of times shared today \_\_

GOAL SUMMARY Total # plan to share \_\_\_\_

Total # actual shares \_\_\_\_

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D2S LIVE OPEN Lifestyle

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BEFORE LIVE

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SOCIAL WALL CONVERSATIONS OUTREACH CONVERSATION STARTERS



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#### **HELP US KNOW WHAT IMPACT THIS MADE!**

The preferred method of recording your faithfulness is through the D2S LIVE APP. If you are unable to record that way please send info to Brian Baldwin after the project. You can also reach out to him for questions or ideas.

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